A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE ENHANCED 911 BOARD.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

- 1 SECTION 1. The enhanced 911 board was created to collect
- 2 and expend funds so that the public safety answering points
- 3 would be able to install and maintain equipment capable of
- 4 providing enhanced 911 services. Enhanced 911 services provide
- 5 the ability for public safety answering points to identify and
- 6 locate a 911 caller. The board has revenue and expenditures of
- 7 approximately \$9,000,000 annually. Since its inception in 2004,
- 8 the board has had no authority to hire employees and has relied
- 9 on consultants to sustain its operations. The board seeks to
- 10 have the option of hiring its own employees to handle
- 11 administrative functions and intends to use consultants to
- 12 address technical or industry specific issues that arise to
- 13 better utilize fiscal resources.
- 14 The purpose of this Act is to provide the enhanced 911
- 15 board with the authority to hire employees.
- 16 SECTION 2. Section 138-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 17 amended by amending subsection (i) to read as follows:



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1	"(i)	The board or its chairperson, with the approval of
2	the board	, may employ staff and may retain independent, third-
3	party acc	ounting firms, consultants, or other third party to:
4	(1)	Create reports, make payments into the fund, process
5		checks, and make distributions from the fund, as
6		directed by the board and as allowed by this chapter;
7		and
8	(2)	Perform administrative duties necessary to administer
9		the fund or oversee operations of the board, including
10		providing technical advisory support; provided that no
11		<pre>employee, third-party accounting firm, consultant, or</pre>
12		other third party hired to perform these
13	a	administrative duties may be retained if the employee,
14		accounting firm, consultant, or other third party,
15		either directly or indirectly, has a conflict of
16		interest or is affiliated with the management of or
17		owns a pecuniary interest in any entity subject to the
18		provisions of this chapter."
19	SECT:	ION 3. New statutory material is underscored.
20	SECT:	ION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2030.

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Report Title:

Enhanced 911 Board; Hiring of Employees

Description:

Provides the Enhanced 911 Board with the authority to hire employees. Effective July 1, 2030. (SD1)

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